THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) There are seven road under bridges between Asansol and Dhanbad. The responsibility of the maintenance of the road surface lies with the Railway Administration in 4 cases and with the State Government for the balance 3.

The road surface at all these under bridges is generally satisfactory except for one which the Railway is finding difficult to maintain, on account of leaking pipe line owned and maintained by the State Government. The matter is being pursued with the concerned State Authorities.

Stopping of Passenger Trains at Asansol Court and Chhatapathar on Eastern Railway

388 SHRI SUNIL BASU RAY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state

(a) whether Railways propose to stop the passenger trains on the Asansol-Adra section at Asansol Court and another at Chhatapathar on Eastern Railway main line near Asansol; and

(b) if so, when?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) At present, there is no proposal to open halt stations at these places.

(b) Does not arise.

'BNR Bridge' on Asansol-Adra Section of South-East Railway

389. SHRI SUNIL BASU RAY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the 'BNR Bridge' constituting a portion of G H. Road at Apcar Garden, Asansol on the Asansol-Adra Section of S. E. Railway is in danger;

(b) whether it is also a fact that several representations were made to the Deputy Superintendent, Adra for taking up necessary maintenance and development programmes;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) what action have been taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. Some representations were received for the widening of the bridge and provision of foot-paths on its either side

(d) The Railway has already written to the State Government to agree to the sharing of the cost of improvement of the bridge, as per extant conventions, and conducting survey for a new bridge, in replacement of the existing one, if necessary. The State Government's response is still awaited.

Dankuni-Belanagar-Rajchandrapur Rail Passengers' Association

390 SHRI SUNIL BASU RAY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Dankuni-Belanagar-Rajchandrapur Rail Passengers' Association have suspended their agitation programme after written assurances were given by the DRM, Howrah;

(b) if so, what are those demands for which the Association had to start agitation from 14-10-1987; and

(c) the steps taken by the Railway authorities to fulfil those demands?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c) The Association had presented a Memorandum containing 14 demands, including increase in suburban services on Howrah-Barddhaman section, certain changes in the Suburban Time Tables, stoppage of trains, review of passenger amenities, etc. They met DRM, Howrah on 13.10.1987

and were assured of a meeting with Additional General Manager (Operations), Eastern Railway on 29 10 1987. This meeting was held as scheduled and follow up action is in progress.

Implementation of New Education Policy in Orissa

391. SHRI SUBAS MOHANTY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Union Government have been pursuing with the Government of Orissa about the steps taken by the State Government so far in the direction of implementation of the new education policy at the level of higher education; and

(b) if so, the details of the progress made so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Government of Orissa have set up a Cabinet Sub-Committee and an Official level Committee to over-see and monitor the implementation of National Policy on Education—1986 The Central Advisory Board of Education, at its meeting held on 25-26 June, 1987 also reviewed the implementation of the N.P.E in all areas including higher education. Copies of documents entitled "National Policy on Education—1986—Implementation Report" giving the progress of implementation of the National Policy on Education—1986 in the States and the Centre have been laid in both the Houses of Parliament on 28 8.1987.

Navodaya Vidyalaya in Ganjam, Orissa

392 SHRI SUBAS MOHANTY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any demand for opening of a Navodaya Vidyalaya near Bhanjanagar in Ganjam district of Orissa; and

(b) if so, the action taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The proposal received from an Hon'ble Member of Parliament for the establishment of Navodaya Vidyalaya at Bhanjanagar, District Ganjam (Orissa) was forwarded to the State Government for their consideration. An Inspection Team comprising of the representatives of the Central and State Governments inspected various places offered in the District including Bhanjanagar proposed for the location of the Vidyalaya. After taking into consideration the suitability of different offers of land/buildngs, the Inspection Team recommended the establishment of the vidyalaya at Village Surangi. The establishment of a Navodaya Vidyalaya at Village Surangi, District Ganjam (Orissa) during 1987-88 has accordingly been sanctioned

U.G.C. Grants to Berhampur University

393 SHRI SUBAS MOHANTY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the amount sanctioned by the University Grants Commission to the Berhampur University (Orissa) during the Sixth Five Year Plan period;

(b) whether the sanctioned amount had been spent and if not, the amount remained unutilised;

(c) whether the sanctioned amount had been utilised by the University for the purpose for which it was sanctioned; and

(d) if not, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) For the Sixth Plan schemes of the